

The Empty



Desk



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This **desk** is set for one student who will never return,
taken too soon by gun violence.

The **open notebook** lies blank, symbolizing a future full of promise that will never
be written.

The **single white rose** in the vase represents the innocence and purity of young
lives lost.

The **red apple** stands for the knowledge we carry, and the painful truth that this
tragedy was preventable.

The **silver glitter** scattered across the page reflects the countless tears shed by
families, friends and teachers.

The **pen** reminds us that our words have power — to heal, to harm, and to help
someone feel seen.

The **orange ribbon** bookmark is a symbol of gun violence awareness and a call to
action. It marks the place where this student's story ended, and where ours, as a
united community, must begin.

The **empty chair** speaks louder than words. It is a haunting silence no school or
family should ever know.

The **candle** burns with hope, with the promise that their memory will never fade
and that change is possible.

Let this desk be more than a memorial. Let it be a mirror, a message, and a
movement.

Let us remember to be kind, to be vigilant, and to do our part to prevent gun
violence.

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